

# Arbor Day Proclamation

State of Pennsylvania

1910



IN THE NAME AND BY AUTHORITY OF THE

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

**Proclamation.**

*The conservation of our natural resources has become a question of national importance. Among these resources trees and forests hold a conspicuous place. It is the common belief that forests regulate the flow of water in our streams. The destruction of our forests has intensified the floods and freshets which rob the soil of its fertility, clog the streams with silt and sand, and fill up navigable rivers and harbors. On the other hand, he who plants a tree or protects it from fire and other enemies, helps to make his State a better dwelling-place, and makes a substantial gift to future generations.*

*Wise legislative enactment has made it the duty of the Commonwealth's Chief Executive to name in each year one or more days for the planting of trees and the dissemination of useful information in regard to their growth and economic value.*

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Therefore, I, Edwin S. Stuart, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby issue this my proclamation, designating Friday, April eighth, and Friday, April twenty-second, 1910,

**Arbor Days Throughout the Commonwealth,**

to be observed by the planting of trees and by other exercises that may be helpful in directing the attention of the people to the importance of conserving and restoring the forests upon the watersheds, and of planting trees around their homes, upon the hillsides, and in the public parks.

Two dates have been designated so that every section of the State may find a day for tree planting suited to its climatic conditions.

(SEAL,)

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at the City of Harrisburg, this seventeenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ten, and of the Commonwealth the one hundred and thirty-fourth.

*Edwin S. Stuart*

By the Governor:

*Robert M. G. [Signature]*

Secretary of the Commonwealth.



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